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### Winnipegasking more of the new waste contractor

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Newer vehicles, more penalties among terms



Stephanie Taylor Metro Winnipeg

Newer vehicles, more penalties and no month free of consequences for service deficiencies are some of the terms the City of Winnipeg has set for its future collectors of garbage and recyclables.

The city is currently advertising a request for proposals (RFP) for new waste collection contracts, which are to be awarded before the current ones with Emterra expire in 2017.

In 2012, the company began a fiveyear \$59-million contract in the city.

Although there are no sweeping changes, a look at the bids issued for waste collection in 2011 now reveals the city has heightened its expectations.

For example, several years ago the city said in order for contractors to become adjusted to the workload, their

first month of collection would be penalty-free if service was not up to par.

Such a deal is not being offered now this time around, according to the new RFP.

It appears the city also wants clearer communication with future contractors, requiring them to submit their routes, maps, schedules, as well as equipment lists to officials a month earlier than in 2012.

The city has also scrapped an "incentive bonus" of \$200 per day, which was advertised in 2011 to be paid out if there were fewer than four service mishaps on a collection day.

Instead, the city has expanded its list of fines from around 10 to 25 as outlined in the 2016 document, including ones such as \$1,000 per material each day when more than 40 items are missed in collection.

Another includes \$100 extra if a contractor not only has a service failure, but also fails to report it to the proper supervisor.

City spokesperson Michelle Finley said the city could not provide comment on the matter, as the bid remains open.



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## NewLeafairlines relaunches

TRANSPORTATION

#### Discount ticket reseller ready for July takeoff



Stephanie Taylor Metro | Winnipeg

We're back. That's the message Jim Young, CEO of discount airline seat reseller New-Leaf Travel, delivered during a press conference Thursday at the Winnipeg international airport, announcing the relaunch of the company after an aborted takeoff.

He said the last time the company held a news conference back in January, it was to announce it was suspending customer bookings until a licensing dispute was resolved with the Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA).

The CTA ruled in March the company could operate legally as planned — selling discount airline seats without an air license — if it made it clear it's a "reseller."

"I am happy to announce that we are once again, as a reseller of airline seats, accepting customer bookings and that we will be taking to the skies July 25," said Young.

"We haven't changed what we said we were going to do from the beginning."

The only difference is this time around the company will offer direct flights to 12 cities compared to only seven.

Those cities are Halifax, Moncton, Hamilton, Winni-



NewLeaf Travel CEO Jim Young hopes the company will attract many of Canada's first-time flyers. The company initially ran into difficulties during its first launch. STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO

peg, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton, Kelowna, Kamloops, Fort St. John, Abbotsford and Victoria.

Seat prices will range from

Our plan is to stay in business regardless of the way the appeal goes. Jim Young

\$79 to \$249 from July 25 to Oct. 2.

Because the company is a reseller of airline seats, Young said Flair Airlines will operate flights on 156-seat planes from some of the country's smaller airports, as opposed to major flight centres, as was initially intended.

Young said many of the routes on the company's nonstop flight plan are unique to the country's domestic air market.

"From Winnipeg, for example, you can fly non-stop to both Kelowna and to Victoria. Try doing that with the competition."

However, buyers should be wary before rushing to the company's website to book their summer holidays because destination options are limited.

Case in point: booking a round-trip flight on NewLeaf from Edmonton will only take you to Abbotsford, Fort St. John, Hamilton, Kamloops, Victoria and Moncton.

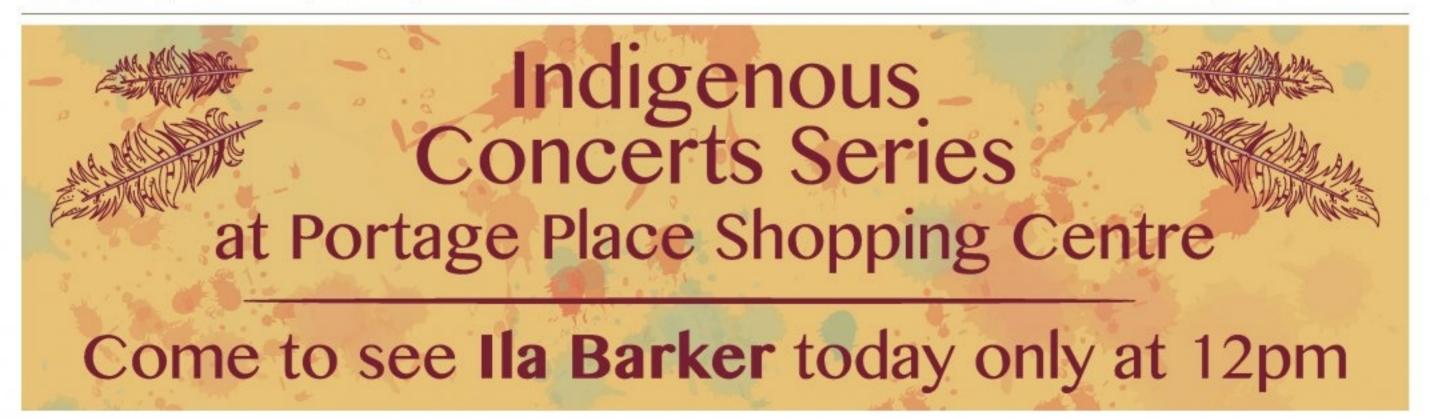
Another example is those looking to fly from Halifax only have Hamilton as a destination.

Young said on Thursday the company is targeting those customers flying for vacation or leisure, offering flights several times per week.

Young expressed confidence that an appeal filed against the CTA's ruling will not be accepted, and the company will remain in the air.

"Our plan is to stay in business regardless of the way the appeal goes," he said, adding the company has a backup plan in the event the appeal is granted.

He said the company also has a refund process in place if the company did have to stop service.



## 'We all want to help': Detective

WARRANT

#### Police issue plea to mother of missing kids



Jones Metro | Winnipeg

A Winnipeg Police detective made a heartfelt plea Thursday to see the mother of two missing children return them home safely.

"We care Sandra," said Det. Shaunna Neufeld, speaking through the media directly to Sandra Giesbrecht, who is facing potential charges of parental abduction after her kids — Montana 11, and Josh, 9 — went missing from their St. James area home.

A Canada-wide warrant for Giesbrecht was issued Wednesday and remained in effect past deadline.

The children's caregiver, who is not the mother, reported them missing around 6 p.m Monday.

Police believe the kids accepted a ride from "a party



Det. Shaunna Neufeld of the WPS missing persons unit spoke directly to Sandra Giesbrecht through the media, Thursday.

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believed to be known to them," in a small, white four-door vehicle — adding to that description Thursday that it likely had white trim around the windows and was an "eco-type."

Since the first day, police have believed the children are most likely in the company of their mother, who Neufeld encouraged to "do the right thing."

"I am here as a support for you; we all want to help and to make sure your interests and that of your children are taken care of," Neufeld said.

"I can appreciate, Sandra, what a difficult time you are going through right now," she said. "There is a way to create an answer — I want you to know that you will be supported — I understand that

you are in a difficult situation. I want to help you."

Neufeld, a member of the missing persons unit, said there has been excellent information from the public, but she and the Winnipeg police are still asking for more from I understand that you are in a difficult situation. I want to help you.

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Det. Shaunna Neufeld

anyone who may have had contact with Sandra or the kids to share any information they may have.

"I'm asking those who have had contact with Sandra and her children recently... to come forward with that information," Neufeld said. "You can assist us — you are a part of the solution as well.

"I'm confident with a little more help from the public we can continue to move forward and very quickly resolve this matter."

She said she has reached out to Giesbrecht daily, but couldn't comment on whether that communication has been reciprocated in any way.

Anyone with information on their whereabouts is asked to contact the Winnipeg Police Service Missing Persons Unit at 204-986-6250.



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#### CHEMAWAWIN CREE NATION

#### Wildfire prompts evacuation

The Chemawawin Cree Nation and the neighbouring community of Easterville were evacuated after a wildfire closed within half a kilometre of their borders Thursday.

Provincial officials confirmed late Thursday afternoon an evacuation order was put in place for both Chemawawin and Easterville due to smoke and the growing threat posed by the wildfire.

Fire crews were working on three fires in the area, with ground attack as well as two water bombers.

The main Chemawawin reserve is located near the south shore of Cedar Lake, about 450 km from Winnipeg, where the Red Cross is busing evacuees.

Jason Small, a spokesperson for Red Cross Manitoba said the aid organization was contacted around 2 p.m. to help evacuate Chemawawin.

"We're doing this through our agreement with the federal government to look after evacuations of First Nations, so we are working with the community to evacuate Chemawawin," he said.

Small explained the evacuation involves "a combination of buses and self-evacuation."

"If people have vehicles they're evacuating them-



The Chemawawin Cree Nation was evacuated due to threat of wildfire Thursday afternoon. MELANIE HOULE/TWITTER

selves, otherwise we have buses and are evacuating everybody to Winnipeg," he said.

Reports on social media claimed at least three buses had departed from Chemawawin by 5:30 p.m.

Once in Winnipeg, evacuees were put up in different hotels until they are cleared to return to their homes.

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A prepared statement from the provincial wildfire program explained that while Red Cross evacuates as many as 2,000 people from Chemawawin, about 70 people from Easterville will be heading to The Pas.

### WAG to open at the Forks

Inuit art is world

spirituality, and this

another venue for

our talented artists

work.

Sherri Rowe, Nunavut's

Development

#### Gallery with focus on native art will add to tourist hot spot



Braeden Jones Metro | Winnipeg

A new shop at The Forks promises to promote and sell Inuit, First Nations and Metis art where people have gathered in Winnipeg for more than 6,000 years.

Winnipeg Art Gallery (WAG) Director Stephen Borys and others cut the ribbon to open "WAG@TheForks," a satellite location for the WAG in Johnston Terminal,

"This new storefront carries a wonderful collection of one- famous for its beauty, gram for the of-a-kind goods," its uniqueness and its shop, which Borys said. "Inuit art... as well as First Nations and Metis art are available, along with jewellery, contemporary Canadian craft, and much more."

Thursday.

He said it gives the WAG a chance to work with its partners, includ-

ing the Canadian Arctic Producers (CAP) and Nunavut Arts and Crafts Association (NACA) in selling Inuit art at one of Manitoba's most popular attractions.

"Close to 4 million people visit this site every year — in fact 98 per cent of all visitors to Winnipeg come to the Forks," he

said. "This also supports - in a big way - Manitoban and Canadian artists, with a special focus on Indigenous art and culture."

Sherri Rowe, Nunavut's Deputy Minister of Economic Development said her government is committed to "supporting the development of current and future Nunavut artists," and that the new shop advances that goal.

"Inuit art is world famous for its beauty, its uniqueness and its spirituality, and this retail gallery provides another venue for our talented artists to sell their amazing work," Rowe said.

To help promote the work of artists from Nunavut, Rowe said it will be authenticated by a tag to confirm its origins.

In addition to helping launch Wag@TheForks, CAP Vice President and NACA board

> member Debbie Jones announced a new artist-inresidence prowill start in fall 2016.

retail gallery provides "This is a truly momentous event," Jones said. "It to sell their amazing will allow the artist to contribute to the future of the Deputy Minister of Economic Inuit art industry."

> Borys said that in addition to holding the largest public collection of contemporary Inuit art in the world, the new shop and residency will help the WAG engage wider audiences with Inuit art and culture, and "further (establish) Winnipeg as the gateway to the North.



Sherri Van Went, WAG manager of retail services cuts the ribbon to open WAG@TheForks. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO



MUSIC THE MAN IN BLACK AT RAINBOW

Cash: Ring of Fire launched at Rainbow Stage Thursday. The show, which is billed as "a raucous celebration of the music, spirit and life of legendary singer-songwriter Johnny Cash," runs until July 15. RAINBOW STAGE/ROBERT TINKER



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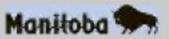
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#### **RCMP** reviewing Pride permit denial

The RCMP fully

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pride parade.

**RCMP** statement

The RCMP say they will re-assess a decision to decline a permit for the first ever gay pride parade planned for a city in the heart of what's known as Manitoba's

Other parades and events have closed down streets in Steinbach, a city of 14,000 people 65 kilometres southeast of Winnipeg.

But the Mounties told organizers of the July 9 pride march that they would have to stick to sidewalks because a lane of the street along the march route is partially under construction.

The move caused an uproar Wednesday and the RCMP later said they would reconsider.

"The RCMP fully supports the

LGBT community and the Steinbach pride parade. The Steinbach RCMP has been working with event or- supports the LGBT ganizers to find a safe route for the parade and its participants," a written statement from the RCMP

regional headquarters in Winnipeg read.

'While a permit was initially declined for safety reasons, we are re-assessing the request. Our primary concern was and remains the safety of event participants. Our officers will be there to ensure security and are looking forward to walking alongside participants on July 9th."

The RCMP declined an interview request, as have many local politicians.

Steinbach Mayor Chris Goertzen, legislature member Kelvin Goertzen, who is not related to the mayor, and the region's member of Parliament, Ted Falk, have all said they will not attend the march and have communicated to the media by written statements.

Falk initially rejected requests to attend the event citing a prior commitment to a frog-jumping competition in a nearby town.

When that event's organizer said Falk should attend the pride march in Steinbach, Falk clarified that he would not because of his "values of faith, family and community."

The mayor and legislature representative have also cited prior commitments for their decision not to attend.

"I have already indicated on multiple occasions that I have a personal commitment on that day," wrote Kelvin Goertzen, who is also Manitoba's health minis-

"Like most (legislature members), I receive hundreds of invitations to important events every

year. Regrettably, I'm only able to attend a small portion of these. In the past 13 years, I have not provided a detailed explanation to the organizers of past events why I've been unable to attend. Nor.

has any event organizer ever demanded one."

Several of Kelvin Goertzen's Progressive Conservative colleagues attended the recent pride parade in Winnipeg, including Premier Brian Pallister. Brandon, the province's secondlargest city, held its first pride parade last year.

In Steinbach, the third-largest city in the province, the prevailing attitude both in political circles and online is that pride organizers are welcome to march, but should not demand that politicians and others attend.

"Council believes that all people, including those who identify as LGBTQ, deserve to be treated with love and respect at all times," reads a statement from city council that included a notice that there would be no further comment.

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## Police failed to show for Winnipeg march

Organizers say result was car hit participant, threats made



The Winnipeg Dyke March did not receive its promised police escorts this year, and say as a result, a marcher was hit by a vehicle and threatened.

According to a post on the group's Facebook page, the group paid \$250 for a permit to march up Osborne Street to the Manitoba Legislative Building earlier this month, as they do every year.

"Central to this cost is a police presence, which is intended to keep members of the community 'safe' throughout the public march," organizers wrote.

They waited 20 minutes before deciding to march.

"Ultimately we recognized that in order for our march to go as planned we were going to have to take care of each other," they wrote.

The group directed traffic themselves, but said they did not have a safety plan due to the lack of a police presence.

During the march, a man they said was frustrated the march was blocking traffic drove into one of the march-

"He then got out of his car and pushed the participant. When other members of our community went to talk to him, he responded with verbal threats," they said.

Organizers said two officers



The members of the Winnipeg Dyke March on the steps of the Legislature Building earlier this month. CONTRIBUTED



Our officers thought it was Sunday, likely confused it with the Pride parade. Gord Friesen

showed up once the march

"When we spoke to them, they responded that they were there because Winnipeg Transit called in a delay."

It wasn't until the evening when they got an explanation. "He said that our march was low priority and they did not

have enough officers to accompany us.

"Therefore, we marched illegally," they said.

Gord Friesen, Winnipeg Police Service inspector of the community support division, said the police escort did not arrive because they were confused about the date.

"Our officers thought it was Sunday, likely confused it with the Pride parade," said Friesen.

The Winnipeg Dyke March said that was a frustrating answer.

"When the police further demonstrated a lack of communication and a disregard for their own commitment, our participants were left vulnerable to the general public and were subject to threats, abuse and harassment as a result," said organizers.

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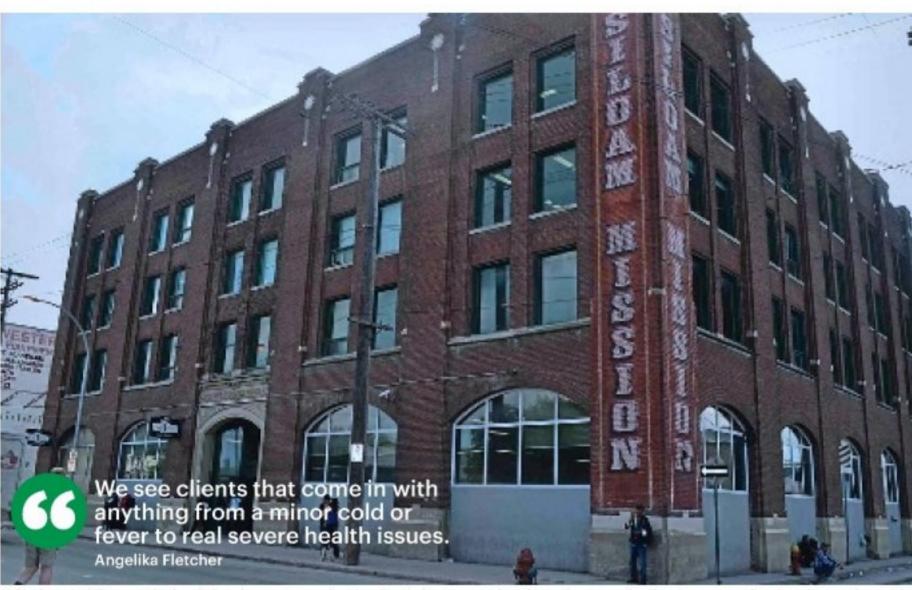
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## Siloam on a mission for the sick



Winnipeg's Siloam Mission is hoping to enough raise funds in one week to launch a new day-bed program for the city's vulnerable population who are in need of a safe place to rest and recover. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

**HELPING THE HOMELESS** 

#### Non-profit's campaign aims to raise \$30K in seven days



Braeden Jones Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg's Siloam Mission wants to give the homeless a chance to take a sick day.

With that aim in mind, the non-profit launched a campaign Thursday to raise \$30,000 in seven days to start a new day-bed program.

"They're called day-beds but we would really like to call them recovery beds," said Angelika Fletcher, Manager of Siloam's Saul Sair Health Centre.

The health centre provides care to anyone using Siloam services, including the homeless, chronically addicted, mentally ill, and street workers.

"We see clients that come

in with anything from a minor cold or fever to real severe health issues," Fletcher said. "So we really saw the need for our clients — when they come in and are sick or have minor procedures that would prevent them from sitting in a crowded walk-in (clinic) or on the street — to have space where they can recover under supervision."

In the last fiscal year (May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016), the Saul Sair Health Centre health care professionals saw 3,350 visits, and about 8,000 clients visited the health centre for assistance — more than any year past.

"We have had steady increases," Fletcher said.

Her hope is that with adequate funding, the new daybed program could open up as many as five beds for people who don't have one to recover in.

"They would all be used immediately," she said. "It would just be for a few hours... we can give them some medication maybe and then they can do what you and I would do — go to bed and recover."



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## Extra E that spells error

**CLOTHING CALAMITY** 

#### Jets T-shirt with the wrong 'Peg leaves lifelong fan stunned

A lifelong Winnipeg Jets fan was shocked to learn she'd bought a team T-shirt with the city's name misspelled as Winnepeg.

Heather Prevalnig, 33, said she paid \$30 for the T-shirt at a Winnipeg airport store on her way home to Kelowna, B.C.

Her brother had been teasing her for days about her loyalties to her childhood hometown team.

"He was bugging me all weekend: 'Are you a Jets fan, are you a (Vancouver) Canucks fan?' I'm like, No, I'm a lets fan, born and raised," she said.

Prevalnig, a recreation clerk with the City of Kelowna, said her dedication to the Jets began when she was a youngster playing minor hockey.

"I went to all the Jets games as a kid and I was part of the '90s Save the Jets campaign



The offending T-shirt in question that left Heather Prevalnig, inset, shocked. TWITTER

and sold 50/50 tickets at Jets games in their old stadium."

So she snapped a selfie holding the shirt and fired it off to him. He immediately pointed out the spelling mistake.

Prevalnig couldn't believe the error, especially because the T-shirt bore a tag with the It was an honest error from an employee.

Allen Katzen, Soft As a Grape clothing NHL's official logo. The shirt was manufactured by a Wareham, Mass., company called Soft As a Grape, and owner Allen Katzen said an employee who made the error feels awful.

"It was an honest error from an employee and for some reason it didn't go through a qual-

ity inspection like it should have," Katzen said.

"It's a serious situation, we made a mistake and we're doing everything we can to rectify it. The shirts have been recalled and we're reprinting them correctly."

Katzen said 48 shirts were produced with Winnipeg spelled incorrectly and not all of them were sold.

"We're apologetic to the city, we're apologetic to the fans. We're hockey fans, and of Canada."

Katzen said his company has had a licence to manufacture apparel for all NHL teams for about five years. "We don't have rights to sell into Canada, except for this one exception."

Prevalnig said she has heard from the gift shop in Winnipeg, which has promised to make it right."

"I was really looking forward to wearing it and feeling pride about wearing it," she said. "I have come to realize after moving to Kelowna that when you see somebody with Jets apparel it's an instant connection, it's an instant bond." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**PORTAGE AND MAIN** 

#### Pop-ups corner market



Braeden Jones Metro | Winnipeg

A new pop-up event series will liven-up the intersection Portage and Main on the last Friday of each month from June to September, starting this week.

The barricaded historical intersection will host a preview showing of some Folklorama Talent (June 24), a farmer's market of local fare (July 29), serve local craft beers in beer gardens (Aug. 25) and transform the four corners of into a split-up dance party (Sept. 30).

Mayor Brian Bowman, who has advocated for the opening of the intersection, said in a prepared statement it's always been more than that.

"It is the heart of our downtown and together we want to animate the four corners of this iconic intersection with lively entertainment and memorable events," he said. "We also want to open Winnipeggers' minds to what can be possible at Portage and Main."





Sen. Mike Duffy leaves the courthouse after being acquitted on all charges on April 21 in Ottawa. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Mike Duffy still on hook for expenses

**POLITICS** 

#### Senator previously acquitted on 31 charges

The interminable spectre of the Mike Duffy spending scandal reared its ugly head yet again Thursday as the Senate found itself once more locked in a battle with the controversial senator over dubious expenses.

This time, however, the expenses in question were from claims well-canvassed during Duffy's criminal trial, which ended earlier this year in his sensational acquittal on 31 charges of fraud, breach of trust and bribery.

In that acquittal, Ontario Court Judge Charles Vaillancourt excoriated the Senate for spending rules that lacked clarity and oversight, allowing senators to claim expenses for anything related to what they deemed Senate business.

The Senate committee that polices spending has asked Duffy to repay seven of his claims totalling \$16,955, despite last April's court decision.

It marks the first time since late March that a senator has been asked to reimburse questionable spending — an order Duffy is fighting and could soon be entitled to take up with a special arbitrator. The arbitration process was originally set up to handle disputes arising from a federal audit of Senate spending — a review that missed Duffy initially,

because he was

under RCMP investigation and facing criminal

Duffy has been subject to an audit once before on Senate orders, by auditing firm Deloitte. That 2013 audit looked only at his housing expenses and ended with a Senate committee or-

**SENATE EXPENSES** 

The amount of money the Senate committee that polices spending has asked Mike Duffy to repay

> dering Duffy to repay \$90,000, which he did after then-prime minister Stephen Harper's chief of staff, Nigel Wright, gave him the cash in order to take away a potential political headache for the Conservative government. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### Pilots make daring South Pole rescue

Two people who fell ill while working at the U.S. research station at the South Pole have been evacuated by a Canadian-owned Twin Otter turboprop plane that made the daring rescue flight in Antarctica's harsh winter.

The National Science Foundation said the two workers arrived safely late Wednesday in Punta Arenas, the southernmost city in Chile, after a long trip from the Amundsen-Scott station at the South Pole. They stopped for a few hours at a British station on the edge of Antarctica to be put on another plane.



A small plane picks up a sick worker at the U.S. South Pole science station. ROBERT SCHWARZ/NSF/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"From Punta Arenas, the two patients aboard will be transported to a medical facility that can provide a level of care that

is not available at Amundsen-Scott," said a statement from the National Science Foundation.

The foundation runs Amund-

sen-Scott and two other centres in Antarctica. It did not identify the sick workers or give their conditions, citing medical pri-

At Magallanes Clinic in Punta Arenas, nurse Mauricio Seron said that a female patient "with a gastric problem" was the sicker of the two.

In a hectic two days of flying, the rescue team flew the 4,800-kilometre roundtrip from Britain's Rothera station to the South Pole and returned to Rothera with the sick workers Wednesday, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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## U.S. Democrats end sit-in

**GUN CONTROL** 

#### Republicans refuse to give in to calls for tighter rules

Exhausted but exuberant, House Democrats vowed to fight on for gun control Thursday as they ended their highdrama House floor sit-in with songs, prayers and defiant predictions of success. Republicans offered a dose of political reality, denying House Democratic demands and holding a Senate vote designed to show a bipartisan gun compromise can't pass.

"They're trying to get on TV," House Speaker Paul Ryan complained in an angry denunciation of the Democrats' 25-hour occupation of the Capitol chamber.

Ryan said the House would not be giving in to Democrats' calls for votes on legislation expanding background checks for gun buyers and keeping people on the no-fly list from getting guns in the wake of



Rep. John Lewis, from left, Rep. Joseph Crowley, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and Rep. Charles Rangel sing "We Shall Overcome" on Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday, after House Democrats ended their sit-in protest. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the Orlando shooting. .

Yet while they may have lost the legislative battles at hand, Democrats on both sides of the Capitol were congratulating

themselves on a remarkable success in gaining attention for their demands for action to curb the widespread availability of firearms, first by a

15-hour Senate filibuster last week and then with their extraordinary occupation of the House floor.

That latest effort broke

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The public could see it all, because even after Republicans shut off the cameras in the House chamber, Democrats began recording the action on their cellphones, and C-SPAN and other networks carried the feeds.

up around midday Thursday after going through the night, even after Ryan moved up the Fourth of July recess and gaveled a chaotic House out of session in the early morning hours.

On Thursday Democrats streamed onto the steps of the East Front of the Capitol, where cheering crowds welcomed them. Rep. John Lewis of Georgia, the civil rights icon who helped lead the sit-in, urged the crowd not to give up and to vote in the fall elections.

"The fight is not over. This is just one step" Lewis declared. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Judge: No evidence

of crime

**FREDDIE GRAY CASE** 

A judge explained why he found a police driver not guilty in the death of Freddie Gray, a 25-year-old black man whose neck was broken on the way to the station: He didn't see any evidence of a crime.

Baltimore Judge Barry Williams ruled Thursday that the state failed to prove Officer Caesar Goodson committed murder, manslaughter, assault, reckless endangerment or misconduct in office.

Goodson was the only one of the six officers charged in Gray's death to be accused of murder. He's the second to be found not guilty, and another officer's case ended in a mistrial.

The judge said Goodson wouldn't have been able to determine whether Gray was injured between the second and fifth stops on the 45-minute trip, because only after the van finally arrived at the Western District station house did officers observe Gray with blood and saliva on his face.

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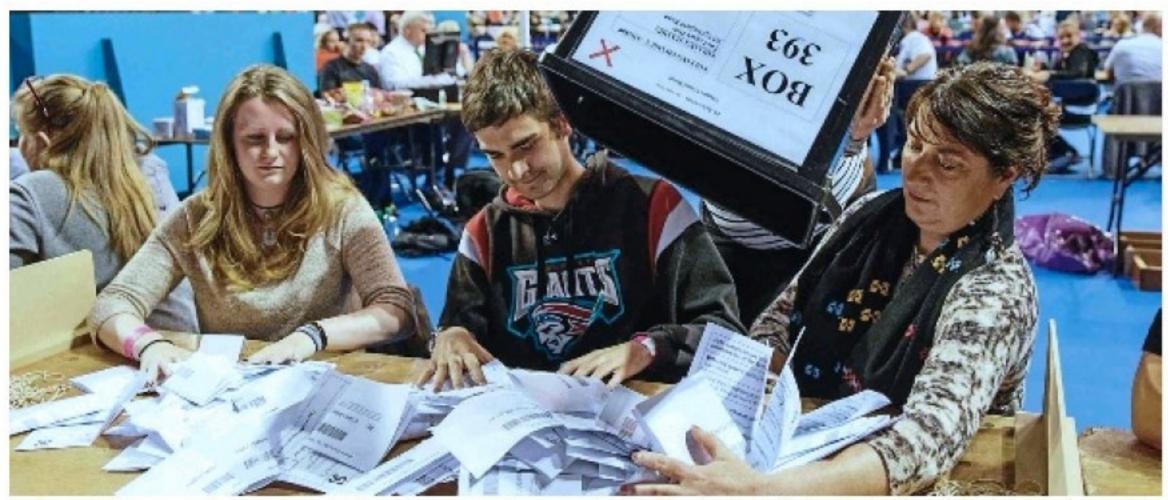
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## All eyes on Brexit results

The world watched with bated breath as the polls closed Thursday in Britain's historic referendum on membership in the European Union. Throughout the night, results were too close to call. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Staff count ballot papers at the count centre at the Emirates Arena, Glasgow, Scotland, on Thursday after polls closed in the referendum on whether the U.K. will remain in or leave the European Union. Millions of Britons voted in a knife-edge referendum that could tear up the nation's EU membership. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Britain's referendum on whether to leave the European Union was too close to call early Friday, with increasingly mixed signals challenging earlier indications that "remain" had won a narrow victory.

The British pound soared after two leading supporters of the "leave" campaign said it appeared the pro-EU side had won, then plummeted as Britain's first counting areas reported their results. The stage was set for a nerve-racking night of ballot-counting after a day of high turnout and foul weather.

"It may be possible that the experts are going to have egg on their face later on tonight," University of Strathcylde political scientist John Curtice told the BBC after results from Newcastle showed worse-thanexpected figures for pro-European vote. "It may be the first sign that the 'remain' side are not going to do as well as those early polls suggested."

A vote to leave the EU would destabilize the 28-nation trading bloc, created from the ashes of the Second World War to keep the peace in Europe. A "remain" vote would nonetheless leave Britain divided and the EU scrambling to reform.

As the polls closed Thursday, U.K. Independence Party leader Nigel Farage set a downbeat tone for the supporters of a British exit — or Brexit — from the EU, telling Sky News television "it looks like 'remain' will edge it" in the referendum.

But he walked back those comments in later, telling reporters at a "leave" party in central London that "maybe just under half, maybe just over half of the country" had voted to pull Britain out of the EU.

Pollster Ipsos MORI said a survey conducted on Wednesday and Thursday suggested the "remain" side would win Britain's EU referendum by a margin of 54 per cent to 46 per cent.

The overseas territory of Gibraltar was the first to report results late Thursday, and as expected the British enclave reported an overwhelming vote for "remain" — 96 per cent.

There as elsewhere, turnout appeared high. Officials
in Gibraltar said almost 84 per
cent of eligible voters turned
out to cast ballots. High turnout was expected to boost the
"remain" vote, because "leave"
supporters are thought to be
more motivated. But high turnout in working-class areas that
typically have lower tallies
could also boost the "leave"

Kevin Featherstone, the head of the European Institute, said that whichever way things went, the vote should serve as a wake-up call to politicians about re-engaging with voters.

#### 1 FIRST RESULTS

England's workingclass northeast returned
a smaller-than-expected
"remain" win of 50.7 per
cent in Newcastle and
a bigger-than-expected
"leave" vote of 61 per cent
in nearby Sunderland.
In Wales, the first four
results showed 54 per
cent in favour of "leave."
Northern Ireland's first
five voting areas were all
for "remain."

The "remain" vote was ahead in Scotland, although turnout there was below average.

#### REFERENDUM

#### Effect on Canada

The results of Thursday's Brexit referendum will send ripples around the globe. If the U.K. leaves the European Union, the news could hit Canadians on a number of fronts:

#### **Fewer exports**

Finance Minister Bill Morneau says Canadian businesses that invested in the U.K. to access the European market may be forced to rethink their strategies.

"We're watching in Canada and we're anxious," Morneau said. Canada could also lose out on some of the benefits of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), the country's trade agreement with the EU.

Canada exported almost \$16 billion worth of products to the U.K. in 2015, or about three per cent of total exports, which makes it Canada's third-largest trading partner behind the U.S. and China.

If the U.K. stays in the EU, that means big savings for Canadian businesses. But if the U.K. leaves, it would have to negotiate its own deal with Canada, a lengthy process that could take decades.

#### Lower returns

Canadian Mark Carney, governor of the Bank of England, has warned that a Brexit could trigger financial instability in the country. That's bad news for Canadians with investments in the U.K. Canadians invested almost \$69 billion in the U.K. in 2014, according to Statistics Canada, or 8.3 per cent of foreign investment.

#### Stronger U.S. dollar

A Brexit could throw the British economy into turmoil, weakening the pound against the U.S. dollar.

U.S. Federal Reserve chair Janet Yellen warned that a hike to the dollar caused by European uncertainty could slow the U.S. economy by discouraging trade. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

#### WEATHER

#### Heavy rains could hurt turnout



A campaigner for the "Remain" campaign canvasses for supporters in London on Thursday. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

With turnout set to be a crucial factor in Britain's European Union membership referendum, heavy rain and thunderstorms were causing slow journeys home Thursday evening for thousands of London commuters.

Southeast England was hammered by up to 1.75 inches (4.6 centimetres) of rain overnight — roughly the average for all of June — and another band of thundery rain swept through on Thursday afternoon.

Doug Wilson, a flood risk manager at the Environment Agency, said "torrential downpours across the South East, including London, could lead to further surface water flooding and significant disruption to travel."

A handful of polling stations in London opened late or had to relocate because of flooding, while signal failures caused by flooding shut down sections of the London Underground subway system and several train lines into the capital.

The disruption could hit the turnout for Britain's referendum since many people go to polling booths after work.

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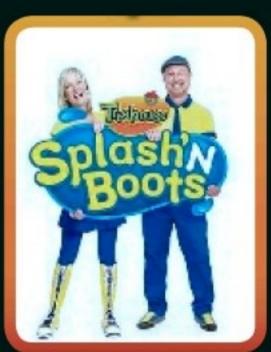
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## Work-life demand grows

**EMPLOYMENT** 

#### **Young workers** want clearer office, home divisions

The work-life balance in European countries seems the stuff of dreams to many Canadians.

France has a 35-hour work week and recently gave employees the right to disconnect from email after they leave

Sweden, meanwhile, offers workers a minimum five weeks paid vacation time.

And many Scandinavian companies have implemented a system of flexible hours and working from home as management encourages employees to craft schedules that fit their personal needs.

While Prime Minister Justin Trudeau managed to sneak a day off during a recent work trip abroad to celebrate his wedding anniversary, that kind of flexibility isn't afforded to most working Canadians de-



Linda Duxbury, a professor at Carleton University's Sprott School of Business, tends to her garden at her home in Ottawa, on Wednesday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

a hot topic for years.

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development has found that the average Canadian works 1,704 hours annually, more than in Germany and Australia

parently tireless workers in the United States.

But as younger generations in Canada move into the workforce and demand more scheduling flexibility and clearer divisions between the office

to do more than just talk the talk and actually implement concrete policies to attract and keep talented workers, says one researcher who's studied the issue here for more than

"Balance is not going to be

Balance is not going to be an optional discussion point pretty soon.

Linda Duxbury

an optional discussion point pretty soon," said Linda Duxbury, a professor at Carleton University's Sprott School of Business. "To keep younger talent, you're going to have to deliver on it.'

Employees crave a supportive work culture that enables a work-life balance, said Lidia Pawlikowski, a senior consultant of health and wellness at Morneau Shepell, a human resources consulting company founded by the father of Canada's current finance minister, Bill Morneau.

Workers want to take guiltfree lunch breaks, squeeze a workout into their day and not remain glued to their smartphones after hours, she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

RECREATION

#### **Gen Xers** buy more cottages

A new report from realtor Royal LePage says members of socalled Generation X (identified in the report as those aged 36 to 51) are buying twice as many cottages as Baby Boomers (those between 52 and 70).

The report says retirement planning and vacationing are among the reasons most often cited by those looking to purchase recreational properties.

Royal LePage says the typical cottage buyer is a couple with children, most likely in the Generation X demographic.

The report says foreign buyers - predominantly from the United States - make up 10 per cent or less of Canada's recreational property market.

"A majority of respondents identified retirement as a driving factor for a recreational property purchase consideration, but Gen Xers, still decades from retirement, were identified as the typical buyer in the current market," Phil Soper, president and CEO of Royal LePage, said in a statement. THE CANADIAN PRESS





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#### WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH TURF TOE?

Toronto Blue Jays star Jose Bautista lost a fight with a solid wall at the edge of the outfield during a game against the Phillies in Philadelphia last week. He smashed right into it, foot first, and was diagnosed with turf toe. He earned himself a 15-day disability leave and has to wear a walking boot. What is turf toe anyways? We explain.



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#### FINDINGS

Your week in science



A psychology study suggests we should teach teens the way we train dogs: With simple rewards. rying to reason with them? Well, that's barking mad.

#### PINK HILLS

It's not as delicious as it sounds: Watermelon Snow is the nickname given the pink algae blooming across the European Arctic. Rose-hued snow reflects 13 per cent less sunlight than the white stuff. That makes the ground and air heat up more, creating slushy puddles - the algae's favourite habitat. And so begins a vicious cycle.

#### DIETER'S DREAM

Chocolate with less than 36 per cent fat doesn't melt nicely and tends to clog factory machines. But a new study shows jolting low-fat chocolate with electricity helps it flow, creating a tasty candy with 10 per cent less fat.



#### DEFINITION

A Eukaryote is a living thing with cells that contain a nucleus (a cellular "brain" with DNA) and organelles (cellular organs) enclosed in membranes. All species e eukarvote bacteria and archae, which are prokaryotes.

#### **USE IT IN A SENTENCE**

"Javier is so dim. If not for the fact that he definitely is made up of more than one cell, I wouldn't even believe he's a eukaryote."

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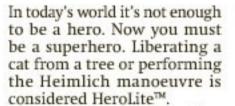
An alien spaceship wreaks havoc in the skies above a fleeing ship in Independence Day: Resurgence. But you can relax: You know the superheroes are looking after everything. CONTRIBUTED

## Superheroes save your world

**PSYCHOLOGY** 

#### **Apocalyptic** plot lines help audiences deal with stress

Richard Crouse For Metro Canada



Unlike the old days when

square-jawed movie stars rescued damsels in distress or battled cold-hearted landlords, today's champions won't get out of bed for anything less than the threat of complete world annihilation.

This weekend the heroes of Independence Day: Resurgence join Mystique, Quicksilver, Leonardo, Raphael, Michelangelo, Donatello, Captain America and legendary do-gooders Batman and Superman in some good, old-fashioned world saving.

The 20-years-in-the-making sequel to Will Smith's megahit sees aliens from outside the Solar System attack our planet. It's life and death on

#### **MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse**

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a planetary scale.

It's not a surprise the stories are getting larger and louder. Audiences want a big bang for their buck and Hollywood is pleased to oblige with highstakes situations that provide frenetic action and happy endings (unless, of course you're rooting for the bad guy).

These days Hollywood also

looks to overseas markets for mega-revenue and presenting globe-spanning stories helps to attract crowds in other countries. Business aside, why have audiences embraced world-onthe-brink movies?

Films, says Dr. Norman Holland, Marston-Milbauer Eminent Scholar Emeritus at the University of Florida, work on

different parts of your brain.

"The parts that turn off are the parts that plan action because you're not going to act on what you see on the screen in front of you," he says.

"You accept the most improbable things, like Stars Wars or Spider-Man or whatever.

"At the same time the lower centres of your brain are generating emotions like mad in response to what you're seeing. This is the peculiar phenomenon that you can feel and care about these people on the screen while at the same time knowing they are nothing but a fiction."

In these heroic tales good almost always wins out, a comforting antidote to the nightly news where stories often don't have happy endings. It makes us feel good, but, as Dr. Holland notes, it's also restful.

"As you know they are redesigning movie theatres with recliner chairs so you can sleep through the movie," he says.

"Yes, it is relaxing. This is the part of your brain that worries, that plans for the future, that is concerned about the state of your body.

"All that shuts down. It's restful, no question."

Going to the movies is restful? Good for us? Seems like in our busy, stressful world it's the films that are the heroes, not the characters.

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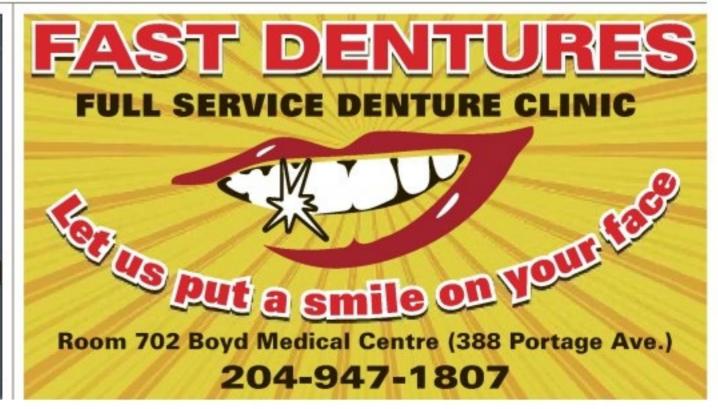
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## Tickled is no laughing matter

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#### Filmmakers face threats for exposing secret world

Richard Crouse For Metro Canada

The amiable David Farrier doesn't want to be talking to me right now. The New Zealand director was in our hemisphere to chat up his documentary Tickled.

"I wish I wasn't doing this now," he says.

"I wish there was no trailer. I wish there was no reviews. I wish people could hear about this thing called Tickled, a film about the sport of competitive endurance tickling and say, 'I've got nothing on, let's go to the movies and see what happens.' That's the dream. I wanted people to feel like they were on the same what the f—? journey I was with (co-director) Dylan (Reeve) when we made the film."

The story of Tickled begins when Farrier, a self-described



David Farrier, left, and Dylan Reeve (standing), the filmmakers behind Tickled. Farrier set out to make a documentary about competitive tickling, but what he found was much more nefarious. Below: A box of tickling implements. CONTRIBUTED

"light fluffy journalist," came across a strange tickling video on the internet.

Thinking it would make a good story he contacted the makers of the video requesting an interview.

"I'm always trying to find a story no one has seen before," he says.

"I've been doing this for 10 years now and it's harder and harder to do that because everyone on Facebook is sharing the craziest things. But when I came across this tickling video alarm bells went off. You've got these young, model-esque men in

bright Adidas clothes in a stark white room. One of them is tied down with shackles and they're tickling and having a great time.

"It jumped out at me because I genuinely thought it must be some sort of Adidas sponsored (video). I thought it was legit. It wasn't shot on a cell phone. It wasn't shot in someone's bedroom. It was shot in a studio and that costs money to rent. Aesthetically, it grabbed me."

When the video maker was slow to respond via email Farrier contacted them through a public Facebook page and that is when the story got weird, troubling and took on the aura of a thriller. Imagine Michael Clayton with tickling and you get the idea.

The documentary sheds light in the dark corners of competitive endurance tickling.

There's alleged cyberbullying, blackmail and catfishing involved as Farrier takes viewers deeper into the subject matter.

"This company does so many strange things," Farrier says of the outfit that hosts the endurance tickling contests.

"I have to talk about it in obscure language, I'm sure you understand. Part of it is the game.

"They love tickling but, as it came out, they love bullying and abusing and derailing lives as well.

"When I came along I was another target."

Farrier says being the subject of threatening lawsuits didn't concern him too much. "It's been two years now and I am so used to threats. Other things keep me up at night.

"Also, I'm an entertainment journalist from New Zealand. I don't have money."

But the documentary subjects have been persistent. At the Los Angeles premiere last Friday, two men who feature in the documentary — David D'Amato and Kevin Clarke — confronted Reeve (Farrier was not at the premiere) and accused the pair of using recorded material they had agreed was off the record.

The circumstance that inspired his documentary is "an unusual thing," says Farrier.

"I still can't believe this happened," but he thinks the movie has messages beyond its obvious examination of cyber bullying.

"If you are engaged in anything on the internet, look into it before you dive in. On a slightly cheesy level, just be yourself.

"If you are into something, as long as you're not hurting anyone, be loud and proud about it. "Try and have that confidence.

"We're living in 2016 and we have a long way to go but if you can, try and be yourself, it will help you. Repression is bad."



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## Talking the talk of Thrones

DIALECT

#### A girl may have no name, but she does have an accent



Colin McNeil Metro Canada

The voices in Game of Thrones are often as colourful as the characters themselves, and if you've ever looked in the bathroom mirror and given it your best "You know nothing Jon Snow," you're not alone.

John Fleming is a speech and dialect coach based in Toronto who teaches actors the ins and outs of accents and affectations. A Game of Thrones fan himself, he uses some Westerosi patios when he's working with actors.

#### **Sounding out Westeros**

A map of Westeros - which looks suspiciously like Great Britain — will clue you in on who speaks with what kind of accent. The northern end of



the fictional continent is, aurally speaking, analogous to the north of England, and so on.

"They've separated the seven kingdoms, to a degree, by dialect," explains Fleming. "So all the people from Winterfell speak with a northern accent; something a little bit closer to Manchester or up in that belt between Manchester and

Scotland." Think: Ned Stark. Jon Snow.

"It works well geographically compared to the Lannisters," who all speak with what's called Received Pronunciation - the standard British accent associated with posh south-

While most GoT actors do hail from the U.K., many are

masking their natural accents

in favour of one that better fits their character, Here, Fleming helps us connect the dots between fictional characters and real-world speech.

#### **Tyrion Lannister**

The outcast Lannister is a great example of an American putting on Received Pronunci-

ation, says Fleming. Listen closely and you'll hear him distinctively halt his speech after nearly every phrase.

#### Ser Davos

Ser Davos Seaworth is played by Irish-born Liam Cunningham "who has a very thick Irish accent," says Fleming. He is "one of the only people on the show who puts on a Geordie accent, which is from Newcastle ... right up in the northeast, near the Scottish border."

#### Petyr Baelish, a.k.a Little Finger

Aiden Gillan plays the former Master of Coin and brothel keeper everyone loves to hate. "He's Irish," notes Fleming, "but in The Wire, he spoke with perfect general American, even a little bit tinged with Baltimore."

He notes a deliberate change in the actor's pronunciation as the show goes on. "When he was in King's Landing during the first couple of seasons, he spoke something that was quite close to Received Pronunciation. As soon as he left King's Landing, you started to hear more of his Irish qualities."

Ygritte

Fleming tells us actress Rose Leslie is actually Scottish nobility, who was educated in England. Her naturel speech is fairly English, "but she puts on that very quintessential northern English accent" for the role.

#### Oberyn Martell

The Martell's accent is "a little bit Spanish, and a little bit Arabic and so it gives it this kind of Northern African feel. It fits with the design elements they're going with" for Dorne, Fleming says.



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## Your staircase to Westeros

TV TOURISM

#### With the season coming to an end, relive GoT in Croatia

Vawn Himmelsbach For Metro Canada

At the War Photo exhibit in Dubrovnik, there's an image that stands out: a sweeping staircase, eerily deserted during shelling that destroyed more than 60 per cent of the medieval walled city after Croatia declared independence from Yugoslavia in 1991.

Two decades on, and this UNESCO heritage site has been restored to its former glory as the jewel of the Adriatic. And that staircase — now packed with tourists taking selfies — is known to millions of people around the world: It's where Cersei Lannister begins her "walk of shame" on Game of Thrones.

The TV series — based on the fantasy novels A Song of Ice and Fire and distributed by HBO — is filmed in multiple locations, from Iceland to Ireland, Morocco and Spain. In season one, the fictional fortified port city of King's Landing was filmed in Malta, but has now made its



This staircase in Dubrovnik's Old Town was used as the starting point for Cersei Lannister's walk of shame on the season five finale of Game of Thrones. PHOTOS BY VAWN HIMMELSBACH

home in Dubrovnik (my GoT guide tells me it's because of significant tax breaks offered in Croatia). But it's more than that. Sure, there's a lot of CGI in GoT like dragons, White Walkers and such — but it wasn't hard

to transform Dubrovnik into the stronghold of the Lannister family, which uses the city's existing medieval fortifications,

guard towers and narrow streets to double as King's Landing. They're the real deal.

Like this staircase, where Cersei begins her walk of shame in "Mother's Mercy." Just add an angry crowd, a High Sparrow and a naked Cersei — and voilà. In fact, actress Lena Headey, who was pregnant at the time, used a body double for this scene, though she did multiple takes to act out the facial expressions — and, through the magic of post-production, her head appears on the body double.

Several key scenes were filmed in the Old Town: at the Pile and Ploče gate, on St. Dominika street and along the city walls.

Wander the streets and you might stumble upon Littlefinger's brothel, or walk in Daenerys' footsteps around Minčeta Tower where she disappears into the House of the Undying in Qarth.

Dubrovnik's Fort Lavrijenac was a stand-in for the Red Keep, and a number of scenes were filmed here, including the tournament thrown in honour of King Joffrey's name day and the spot where The Hound saves Sansa from being raped.

Not only do you get a stunning view of the Adriatic Sea from atop Fort Lavrijenac, you'll also notice a parking lot on a dramatic rocky outcropping. Sure, it's a cool spot for a parking lot, but it's also where Joffrey's wedding/death scene was shot.

The nearby Island of Lokrum was used for scenes in Qarth. And Arboretum Trsteno — a renaissance garden dating back to the 15th century — doubles as the gardens of King's Landing. They're relatively untouched by CGI; you almost expect Varys to walk around the corner.

Dubrovnik isn't the only Croatian location used in GoT, though. Split, further north on the Dalmatian coast, doubles as Meereen.

Within Split's historic Diocletian's Palace, several scenes were filmed: from the dungeon where Tyrion unchains Daenerys' dragons to the spot where Ser Barristan is slain.

Head into the countryside to the ruins of Klis Fortress and you'll easily recognize the road to Meereen, where Daenerys freed the slaves and, later, crucified the masters. The fortress has a history just as interesting as a fictional story: ask your GoT guide about the "sky toilet."

Wandering through Croatia's historic sites, it may feel like you're on the set of GoT (there's even a replica of the iron throne on Lokrum). But while the night may be dark and full of terrors, Croatia is anything but.



## The united states of BBQ-ing

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#### Love of meat, rubs and sauces crosses any political divides

David Bateman For Torstar News Service

I thought barbecue was simple. Buy meat, heat meat, eat meat.

After nine weeks in the U.S., I realize how wrong I had been. From state to state and city to city, the meat, rub, sauce, sides, wood and cooking method change drastically. There is only one constant. From presidents to paupers, nothing brings Americans of all creeds and colours together quite like barbecue.

First stop: Detroit, Mich., where Slows Bar BQ stands like a glowing ember of success among a desolate bed of charcoal. Here, and across the Midwest, sauce is everything.

"Anyone can barbecue, not many places can do you a good sauce," says customer and Detroit native Brandon Johnson. His father's recipe is the glue that bonds his family. "Before any event, my cousins make sure my dad is on the grill before they come."

I drive south through the golden-ombre crop fields of Ohio to laidback Louisville, Ky., where I meet dungaree-clad Smoketown USA owner Eric Gould, the selfbranded "Redneck Jew," socalled for his religion and love of hunting. "The Johnsons taught me how to barbecue. They were wonderful neighbours," says the pitmaster with wispy white sideburns that resemble tiny clouds.

At 20, 46-year-old Gould suffered a brain aneurysm and had been given a two per cent chance to live. "I'm here because I believe in myself and I love people. Life is about how you treat people. I love them. That's my secret ingredient."

After six hours in a very highheat wood-fired smoker, Gould's pork ribs (he also does beef) are so succulent and tearable I can leave teeth marks in the bone.

My next rack of pork ribs involve a lot more vigorous chewing. Before taking to the brights lights of Broadway in Nashville, Tenn., I line up for an hour at Edley's Bar-B-Que, a roadside barbecue ranch, for hard-crusted charcoal crunchy ribs that are more familiar, though less gratifying, to my British palate.

In Memphis, I discover one reason why former resident Elvis Presley's weight ballooned - the irresistible dry rub of Charlie Vergos' Rendezvous.

The pork ribs initially look so parched I think they'll grate my mouth like I had licked tarmac. But when the Cajun coating is ripped apart, juice spurts free to reveal easily chewable, pinklined meat.

Elvis was not the only king to eat at Rendezvous. Long before U.S. President Barack Obama and former U.S. presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton visited, it welcomed civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., who was shot a short walk away at the Lorraine Motel, which now houses the National Civil Rights Museum.

After a few hours of solemn American history, I eat at the nearby Central BBQ, where sauce is shunned in favour of a traditional Tennessee dry rub.

"The first week I worked here. an old man in the back said, Tom, sauce is what you put on the meat you screw up. You're not going to screw up my meat, are you?" says Thomas Strange, who has been the restaurant's manager for the past three years.

Strange advises where to go next in search of America's other main barbecue meat. "I make the best brisket in Memphis," he says. "It's still not a brisket town. Texas comes here for pork, we go there for beef."

Soon, I'm driving on 10-lane highways past gun ranges and signs warning me I'm going to hell. I'm in Texas, where locals brim with barbecue patriotism, almost as devoted to the fat-lined brisket as the Stars and Stripes on their porches.

At Pizzitola's BBQ in Houston, the waitress hears my Scottish accent and decides I should read the menu and she will order for me. "You'll love the brisket and then you'll love me," Cindy Amolochitis says. Well, she is half right. Like the locals, the Texas brisket warmly embraces you. The state slogan says you shouldn't mess with Texas, and they don't mess with the meat, save for a smattering of salt and black pepper.

From the well-established mom-and-pop joint of Houston, I go to La Barbecue, a gleaming new food truck in Austin. The lineup is continuously 60-strong on a Wednesday morning.

On the benches of La Barbecue's lot, suited lawyers tear beef and pork ribs next to unemployed students. Rich to poor, black to white, Detroit to Texas, barbecue is the great equalizing obsession in a deeply splintered country.



Smoketown USA owner Eric Gould adds a 1-2-3 rub combo of salt, pepper and granulated garlic that packs a flavourful punch. DAVID BATEMAN/FOR TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



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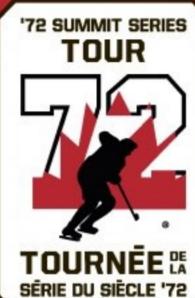
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#### TRAVEL NOTES BLUES, VIEWS AND A SHINING LIGHT

#### Elvis's Hawaii haunt gets a facelift

Work has finally begun on rebuilding the storied resort where Elvis Presley's character got married in the 1961 film Blue Hawaii, decades after a major hurricane damaged its buildings. The company redeveloping Coco Palms Resort began demolishing structures this week. It hopes to reopen the hotel in mid-2018. It initially opened in 1953 next to a historic coconut grove and an ancient Hawaiian fishpond. The grounds were once home to Kauai's last queen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Penn Station's off-the-rails thriller

Catching a train at New York's crowded Penn Station is no thrill. But a development team has proposed a novel plan to overhaul the station: Build a 1,200-foot thrill ride on top of it and pay for renovations by charging \$35 a ticket. Plans were submitted after Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo put out a request in January for proposals to renovate the rail hub, which handles more than 650,000 passengers daily, he called "a blight on the greatest city in the world." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Lighting candles on 300th birthday

Boston Light, the first and oldest lighthouse station in the U.S., is marking 300 years of warning mariners as they navigate the tricky waters of Boston Harbor. A summer celebrating the milestone kicks off this weekend with the National Park Service's ranger-led tours resuming Friday for the season. "Not many things are 300 years old in this country," said Coast Guard Lt. Karen Love Kutkiewicz, who is helping to plan the anniversary celebrations. "It's a really big deal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Elvis Presley in Blue Hawaii. HANDOUT



The planned Halo thrill ride. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Boston Light lighthouse. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



## Cirque du Soleil is partnering with the NFL to build a 3,716-square-metre interactive exhibit in Times Square

## Time for the money to talk

**BOMBERS SEASON PREVIEW** 

#### Roster was overhauled with return to playoffs as goal

They could be called the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' milliondollar men.

The CFL club spent big bucks for some key off-season acquisitions in its quest to end four straight years of missing the playoffs and a quarter-century Grey Cup drought.

After free agency settled down, Bombers general manager Kyle Walters said the team was better on paper. As training camp ended last week, he noted the additions had already made a noticeable difference.

"There's certainly a new attitude and there's a different feel to it," said Walters, whose team opens the regular season Friday hosting the Montreal Alouettes. "I think with the veteran guys we brought in, they just carry themselves differently.

"It's a little bit different mentality around here. Feels different. Feels good."

But Walters added it's a waiting game to see

how continuity is affected and whether the changes translate into more wins.

Victories have been hard to come by the past two seasons with Walters and head coach Mike O'Shea at the helm. Winnipeg went 5-13 last year and 7-11 in 2014.

In an effort to reverse the downward slide, Walters sought out some talented, pricey players, starting in late January with the signing of veteran receiver Weston Dressler after he was released by the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

On the first day of free agency, he signed Dressler's former pass-catching teammate Ryan Smith, homegrown running back Andrew Harris (B.C.) and sure-footed import kicker Justin Medlock (Hamilton). Walters also added two defensive tackles, veteran Canadian Keith Shologan (Ottawa) and import Euclid Cummings (Toronto).

To make room for the newcomers, Winnipeg cut ties with former starters such as receivers Clarence Denmark and Nick Moore, defensive linemen Zach Anderson, Bryant Turner and

> Zach Anderson and kicker Lirim Hajrullahu.

"The fans can certainly trust and respect that we're not sitting idly by and hoping that it's go-



- Walters' contract expires next year.
- O'Shea is in the final year of his deal.
- Those circumstances weren't in the back of his mind while revamping the team's roster over the off-season, Walters said. "Regardless of contract status, it's we weren't good enough last year, how do we fix it?"

ing to fix itself," Walters said.
"We're being aggressive and
trying to address the problems.

"When we trot that group out against Montreal, 80 per cent will be different than it was two years ago so it's a massive overhaul."

The high-profile additions have so far met O'Shea's expectations.

"They are who we thought they were so that's a good thing when it all adds up like that," O'Shea said. "Over the course of the first few games, our fans will recognize that these guys are the exciting players they were for other teams and they'll be exciting for us, too."

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The Blue Bombers' Fred Williams celebrates his touchdown against the Alouettes during preseason action on June 8. The Bombers hope for enough highlights to carry them to the playoffs for the first time in five seasons. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Approaching the Finnish line

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#### Seven years after country's draft nadir, Finns are crowding top 10

When the power brokers of Finnish hockey gathered together seven years ago, the future looked dim.

For the third straight NHL draft, not a single Finnish prospect was taken in the first round. The country's junior hockey team was also flailing, while chief rival Sweden was seemingly bursting with quality young talent.

Some 300 officials, including coaches, managers, scouts, media, trainers and government personnel, assembled at the Finnish Sports Institute in 2009 to figure out how to fix the problems.

"We wanted to make a change," recalled Columbus Blue Jackets general manager Jarmo Kekalainen.

That change is now reaping major dividends. For the first time ever, two Finnish players are expected to be picked in the top



Finland's Jesse Puljujarvi, from left, Sebastian Aho and Patrik Laine celebrate with the world junior championship trophy last January in Helsinki. HEIKKI SAUKKOMAA/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

three of Friday's NHL draft, with Patrik Laine and Jesse Puljujarvi exemplifying the growing trend of elite young Finns.

Olli Juolevi of the London Knights could be the third player picked in the top-10, another potential first for Finland.

"There are a lot of young guys coming up right now," said Flor3

We have quite a small country and the only way we can survive is that we work together.

Erkka Westerlund

ida Panthers centre Aleksander Barkov, already a star himself at age 20.

Erkka Westerlund, then the head of coaching and education at the Finnish Ice Hockey Federation, said co-operation was the key to turning things around.

"We have quite a small country and the only way we can surJETS' GUY

Patrik Laine is expected to go to the Winnipeg Jets with the No. 2 pick in Friday night's draft in Buffalo.

vive is that we work together," he said.

Two main priorities emerged from the 2009 summit.

First, officials wanted to encourage more personality from their players and allow individual skills to shine, as opposed to focusing entirely on team success. The Finns always had hard workers who could operate as cogs in a wheel, but not enough stars like Laine.

"He can take the puck from all men and score," Barkov said of Laine. "You need those kind of players."

Second on the list was improved youth coaching.

A former national team head coach nicknamed "The Hockey Professor," Westerlund said 28 full-time skill coaches were hired in 2012 to assist volunteers.

Kekalainen celebrated the

change

"Shouldn't we be paying and trying to get the best coaches possible to that level to ensure that those guys get brought up the proper way as hockey players and actually learn how to play the game the right way instead of learning how to skate, stickhandle and all that?" Kekalainen asked.

The shift sped up the development curve with Barkov, Laine, and Puljujarvi not only playing but thriving in Finland's top league as teenagers.

Only recently turning 18, Laine was named playoff MVP in leading Tappara Tampere to a championship.

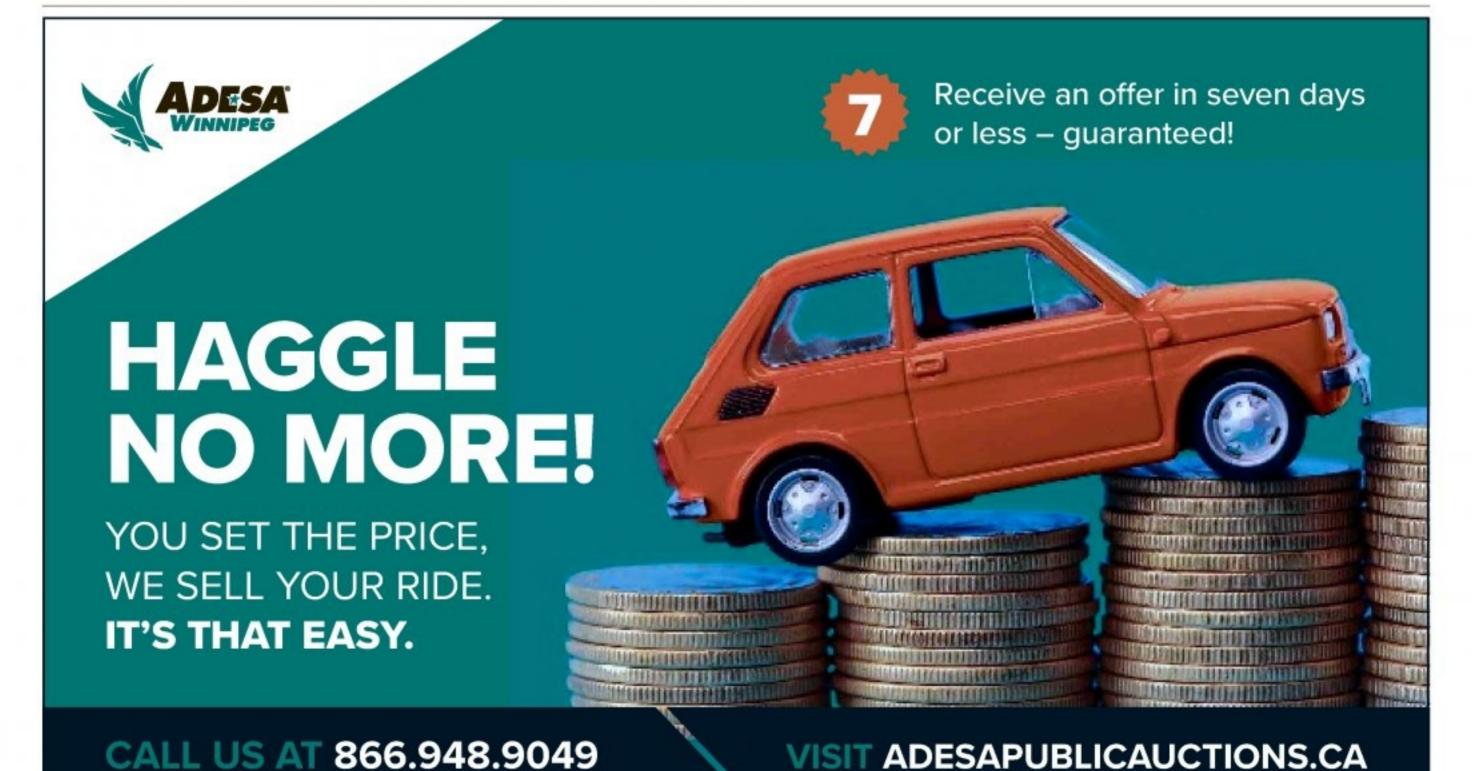
"Very rarely have we seen that before," said Kekalainen whose Blue Jackets pick third Friday.

This weekend's draft will only cap a special year for Finnish hockey. The country won gold at the world junior championships and silver at the world championships with a youthful squad led in scoring by Laine.

Barkov believes it's indicative of what's to come.

"There's a pretty bright future in Finnish hockey."

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#### Sixers take Simmons No. 1

The Philadelphia 76ers selected LSU freshman Ben Simmons with the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft Thursday night.

The 76ers grabbed the versatile six-foot-10 forward from Australia who averaged 19.2 points, 11.8 rebounds and 4.8 assists last season.

Shooting guard Jamal Murray was the top Canadian taken at No. 7 by Denver, while Toronto selected centre Jakob Poeltl ninth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Canada loses to Croatia ahead of Olympic qualifier

Brady Heslip scored a teamhigh 15 points, but Canada lost 78-70 to Croatia in a men's basketball exhibition Thursday. Canada looks to qualify for the summer Olympics through a tournament next month in Manila. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### CM Punk to make MMA debut at UFC 203

The UFC announced on Thursday that ex-pro wrestler (CM Punk) Phil Brooks will make his longanticipated mixed martial arts debut when he fights Mickey Gall at UFC 203 on Sept. 10. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Very British affair in Paris



#### Northern Ireland, Wales to clash on centre stage in France

In five transformational years, Wales and Northern Ireland have gone from playing in front of 529 fans to preparing for a British derby in the 45,000-capacity Parc des Princes in Paris.

And rather than a meaningless friendly, as the 2011 fixture was, this time Wales and Northern Ireland will be meeting in the round of 16 at the European Championship.

No longer a soccer sideshow, these small British nations will take centre stage Saturday. There will even be an English referee, with Premier League official Martin Atkinson taking charge.

The start of the knockout phase is uncharted territory for Wales and Northern Ireland as



Wales forward Gareth Bale is tied for the lead at the Euros with three goals in three games. STU FORSTER/GETTY IMAGES

they make unexpected progress on their debuts in UEFA's continental showpiece.

"It's another new challenge, new experience," Wales forward Gareth Bale said, "and one I'm sure everybody will relish."

Few will relish facing Bale. The Real Madrid forward has taken to tournament soccer effortlessly, already the jointleading scorer with three goals. Although Wales was beaten by England, Chris Coleman's side still advanced as Group B win-

Northern Ireland will be a different proposition to England, less ambitious going forward and more dogged at the back.

"We've got one of the best defences in the tournament," Northern Ireland forward Kyle Lafferty said. "I don't think they've been given enough praise for what they've done. It's going to be a tough game, but hopefully we'll be celebrating at the end."

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Taurus April 21 - May 21 Relations with partners and close friends will continue to be prone to conflict in the next month. This means you have to be patient and tolerant.

Gemini May 22 - June 21 In the next month, you will keep busting your buns to prove to everyone what you can do. Actually, you enjoy working hard, because you are productive!

Cancer June 22 - July 23 It's fun city for you for the next months. Plan a vacation! Enjoy romance and love affairs. Playful times with children plus the arts and sports events will appeal.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23 Your home scene continues to be hectic and chaotic in the next month because of residential moves, renovations, visiting guests, whatever. Do your best to stay calm.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23 You continue to persuade others to agree with you in the next month. That's why this is a great time for writers, teachers, actors and anyone in sales and marketing.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 You will work hard to earn money in the next month. Take note: You also will spend it freely!

III Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Fiery Mars continues to be in your sign for the next month, then it's gone for several years This will pump your energy and give you lots of drive.

X Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Secret deals as well as secret love affairs might take place in the next month. Be careful what you do, because you might be found out.

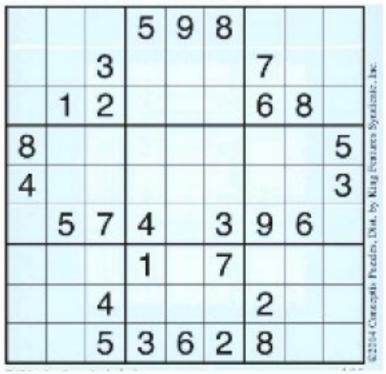
Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20 Competition with others, especially in physical sports, will still appeal to you in the next month. This is no surprise, because you are a perfectionist at heart.

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